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**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<b>Application Number</b>	09/508,527
<b>Filing Date</b>	April 3, 2000
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Akiko ITAI*
<b>Group Art Unit</b>	1637
<b>Examiner Name</b>	Young Kim
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	P19291

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent-term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000) which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously Filed on
  - iii.  Other:
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Request for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other:

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2. Miscellaneous

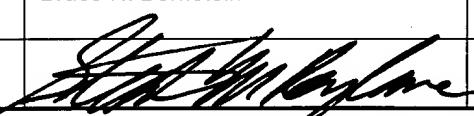
- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.  Check in the amount of \$1,810.00 enclosed.
- b.  If payment in the appropriate amount is not enclosed, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this paper, including the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e), any extension of time fees (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) necessary to render the RCE timely, and any suspension fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: Young Kim

Filed: April 3, 2000 (I.A. Filed October 2, 1998 )

For: METHOD OF INFERRING THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE OF PROTEIN

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 filed concurrently herewith, Applicant is submitting the following submission in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 14, 2004, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are requested. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period was originally set to expire on January 14, 2005, Applicants hereby request an extension of time of three (3) months and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the formal Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office or the extension of time is deficient, this should be considered to be an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee.

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including any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 6 of this paper.